SALINA CITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

AGENDA

Special Meeting September 5, 2007 4:00 PM City Commission Room 107 City County-Building 300 W. Ash Street

- #1. Minutes of Regular Meeting April 25, 2007.
- #2. Review of application for designation of the City of Salina as a Preserve America Community under the "Preserve America" Communities Program. Continued from the August 1, 2007 meeting date.
- #3. Other Matters.



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SALINA CITY HERITAGE COMMISSION MEETING CITY COMMISSION ROOM April 25, 2007 4:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Duckers, Plumer, Reynolds, Stoeber and Yarnevich

MEMBERS ABSENT: Specht

PLANNING STAFF: Asche and Burger

The hearing began at 4:00.

#1. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 31, 2007.

Minutes were approved as presented.

#2. Review of nominations for the 2007 Historic Preservation Award presentation to be held on May 23, 2007. The theme for May 2007 National Preservation Month is "Making Preservation Work."

Mr. Burger presented staff report with a visual presentation which are contained in the case file.

Mr. Reynolds asked are there any comments from our citizens?

Phyll Klima (from audience) stated not on this item.

Mr. Reynolds asked any comments by the Commission?

Mrs. Yarnevich stated I had a question on the one at 680 S. Santa Fe. How many Steve Ryans are there?

Mrs. Duckers stated yes, that is what I was going to ask, too.

Mrs. Yarnevich stated it might be Mark Ryan.

Mr. Burger stated that was a typo on my part. The property owner is James Ryan although his son-in-law currently occupies the house.

Mrs. Duckers stated Steve has a nice house on Park Place.

Mrs. Yarnevich stated yes and that wouldn't be a bad nomination either. It's not historic I don't think but they did an incredible job restoring it originally.

Mr. Burger stated I apologize for the typo. There is a gentleman named Ryan living there and for some reason that didn't make it over to my report. There are other properties that may be eligible in this category for the coming years. The house that was the long term home of Nancy and Merle Hodges would be an outstanding house to recognize at some point. We did go back and revisit all those houses that have been restored recently or have been kept in excellent repair.

Mrs. Yarnevich asked have the new owners at 860 S. Santa Fe done anything in particular lately?

Mr. Burger stated there has been exterior maintenance. If we would go back and recognize the house it would probably be with the prior association with the Hodges. Of course there is always a possibility that they may do work or do something to enhance the structure and it would be recognized because of that.

Mrs. Duckers stated tell us a little more about this house on North Columbia. I'm not familiar with that at all.

Mr. Burger stated it is a Gothic Cottage with a barge board at the gable peak. What we felt was unique about the house is that it has kept the exterior siding intact as well as the frieze board and balluster at the front porch and retained much of its architectural integrity. There has been a contemporary addition of a bay window but it is on a secondary facade. We felt that that might kind of place this out of the category. It is all in all a well kept home. We've tried in past years to recognize smaller homes such as the C. G. Wilmarth House at 300 S. 5th. This is the home of the Richard Bennett family we awarded last year. In that case they were in the midst of restoring the house and have done an excellent job on that.

Mrs. Yarnevich asked so the fact that they added on doesn't matter because it's non-historic right?

Mr. Burger stated yes it wouldn't affect this property because it doesn't represent the original historic context.

Mr. Reynolds asked is there anything else? We can entertain a motion to approve this. Are there any individual ones we would like to include or exclude?

Mrs. Duckers asked how many do we need? Are we limited to four?

Mr. Burger stated there is no limit. We have had as many as eight and as little as four properties in a year. Staff would recommend all of the properties listed for consideration. We wanted to consult with the Board to determine whether there were other properties that the Board would like to recognize this year. In the case of the Columbia property we would have no problem including it because it has had excellent maintenance through the years and has recently been restored.

Mrs. Yarnevich stated since it's non-historic and they've done a nice job of restoring it I don't see there is any reason to eliminate them from that. Especially since it's non-historic.

Mr. Burger stated we would be glad to include them. On 680 S. Santa Fe, we could certainly pick that up at another year. It's a project that is still ongoing. We could include them this year or if you choose to.

Mrs. Duckers asked could you show the picture again for the one that is at 680 S. Santa Fe?

Mr. Burger stated a lot of that has been the clearing of the hedges and trees that have been around the house for a long time. They went through and did an extensive job of scraping and repainting the home during the past few years.

Mrs. Duckers asked that is on the corner at Crawford isn't it?

Mr. Burger stated yes. It's a Stick Style house that was designated a local landmark in 2002.

Mrs. Yarnevich stated I'm not exactly sure how to make the motion. I love making motions and I'm at a loss. How do you want that phrased?

Mr. Burger stated you could nominate all five or remove one or more from the list.

MOTION: Mrs. Yarnevich stated I would move we nominate all five or that we choose all five properties presented.

SECOND: Mr. Plumer seconded the motion.

Mr. Reynolds stated it has been moved and seconded. All in favor say "aye", opposed same sign.

VOTE: Motion carried 5-0.

#3. Consideration of an application for designation of the City of Salina as a Preserve America Community under the "Preserve America" Communities Program.

Mr. Burger presented staff report with visual presentation which are contained in the case file.

Mrs. Duckers asked is there a cost to belong to this program?

Mr. Burger stated no, there isn't. The program is managed by the National Park Service and there aren't any dues or related costs associated with the designation. There are some products that are given to local jurisdictions but it is mainly the recognition for past preservation projects and initiatives.

Mrs. Duckers stated so this is a White House initiative.

Mr. Burger stated yes. There are several rounds for designation each year. There wouldn't be any real costs unless an organization is involved with a matching grant at some point. As I stated, we would need the recommendation of the State Preservation Officer on our behalf and we have received word that the SHPO would be willing to assist with their recommendation for Salina's designation.

Mr. Reynolds asked are there any further questions of staff? Any citizens remarks? Please state your name and address.

Phyll Klima, 917 S. Santa Fe, Executive Director for Salina Downtown, stated this is an extremely important piece for dovetailing with a lot of things that we have started in the Downtown. Most recently in Salina Downtown we are trying to capitalize upon the cultural heritage and the business heritage of the community with our proposed designation of the Lee District. We are releasing at 3:30 pm today a news release that says we have received some grant funds to do a market study for potential redevelopment of the northern blocks of Downtown. Salina Downtown is in the second round of the Wayfinding Program scheduled in the City for Wayfinding signage. Many of the projects that were funded, as you will see in John's addendum to your packet, were Wayfinding types of things. We hope that this will dovetail with some of the things we have going. I strongly urge you to consider this as one of the strong pieces for economic redevelopment in our community. Thank you very much.

Mr. Reynolds asked is there any discussion?

MOTION: Mrs. Duckers stated Mr. Chairman I move that we direct the staff to prepare an application under the Preserve America Program to be reviewed at the next meeting.

SECOND: Mrs. Yarnevich seconded the motion

Mr. Reynolds stated it has been moved and seconded. Any further discussion? All those in favor say "aye", opposed same sign.

VOTE: Motion carried 5-0.

#4. Election of Officers.

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Mr. Burger introduced the item stating which Heritage Commissioners would be eligible to hold the office of Chair and Vice-Chair for the coming year.

MOTION: Mrs. Yarnevich stated I would nominate Anita Specht for Chair

SECOND: Mr. Plumer seconded the motion.

Mr. Reynolds asked any further nominations? Hearing none it has been moved and seconded. All those in favor say "aye", opposed same sign.

VOTE: Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Reynolds asked so now we need the Vice-Chair?

MOTION: Mr. Plumer stated I would nominate John Reynolds for the office of Vice-Chair.

SECOND: Mrs. Yarnevich seconded the motion.

Mr. Reynolds asked any further nominations? Hearing none it has been moved and seconded. All those in favor say "aye", opposed same sign.

VOTE: Motion carried 4-0, 1 Abstention.

Mrs. Duckers stated I do have a question. Why do I have two stars behind my name on the membership list?

Mr. Burger stated that is something that was carried over and wasn't deleted. It indicated that you were a new Commissioner as of last year. Those asterisks were never taken off but don't apply to you any more.

Mrs. Duckers stated OK. It didn't indicate that I was on the Certificate of Appropriateness committee or anything?

Mr. Burger stated no you aren't on the committee. We will correct that information.

#5. Other matters.

Mr. Burger stated I am glad Ms. Klima is here today. We wanted to make you aware that staff assists in preparing Preliminary Site Investigation Questionnaires (PSIQ) for National Register nominations for various properties in Salina when requested by the property owners and when staff time is available. Salina Downtown had approached Planning staff to see if we could initiate a PSIQ to the State Preservation Office for the McCune Paper Building and Lee Hardware Building. Obtaining a determination of eligibility for the property would allow a potential

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> developer to know that State and Federal Tax Credits would be available for any rehabilitation and reuse. (Showing slides) This is a photograph from 1903 showing the Lee Mercantile Building on the north and the Lee Hardware Building on the south. Today's configuration shows some of the alterations over time such as the addition to the Lee Hardware Building designed by Charles Shaver. The Mercantile Building probably has the most significant exterior architectural features. This is seen in the limestone pedestal and first story limestone base. There has been some infill of the lower windows with brick and glass block panels. These are fairly minor things overall. You will notice that the Lee Hardware building joins the 1928 addition in this area. Of course this is the rear elevation. The buildings themselves have weathered very well and we are glad that there appears to be an interested new owner. There is land on the site for parking off 5th Street. We wanted to let you know that the State Preservation Office did contact us and informed us that the properties appear to be eligible for nomination to the National Register. This may be useful to the present owner if he wants to proceed in that direction. We would hope that the owner would want to restore some original exterior features as well as redevelop the building. I am displaying a property at 800 E. Iron. Some of you may have traveled past this particular property on Iron and have seen some new activity. The property is included as one of our Heritage Conservation Properties that are protected from demolition or relocation. This particular property has deteriorated in the past several years while it has been a rental dwelling. The deteriorated roof and siding are under repair. The property has changed hands recently and the house is being renovated with the object of getting another family back in there. The building is being preserved although the wood shingle roof will change to an architectural shingle roof. The front porch was where most of the settling and damage occurred and it will be repaired last. We did want to inform you about the progress today. Our meeting for the Preservation Awards will be on May 23rd. We will ask the Chair to come to our May 21st City Commission meeting and read the resolution for Preservation Month. Certainly you are all welcome at the Preservation Awards and we would encourage you to attend. We will have a more complete program and PowerPoint available at the presentation. That concludes what staff has brought forth today.

> Mr. Reynolds asked any other Commissioners have anything to bring forth today? Hearing none we stand adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

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Attest:

STAFF REPORT SALINA CITY HERITAGE COMMISSION

<u>Item #2</u> Meeting Date: <u>September 5, 2007</u> Continued from August 1, 2007

Review of application for designation of the City of Salina as a Preserve America Community under the "Preserve America" Communities Program.

Background

During the past two years, staff at the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) has encouraged Certified Local Governments in Kansas to consider participation in two National incentive programs, the *Save America's Treasures* program and the *Preserve America Communities* program. To date, the City of Wichita and the City of Leavenworth have nominated their jurisdictions and have been recognized as Preserve America Communities.

The Federal Save America's Treasures program is one of the largest and most successful grant programs for the protection of our nation's irreplaceable and endangered cultural heritage. Congress has so far appropriated \$200 million for the physical preservation and conservation of this nation's significant collections, sites, structures, and buildings.

Grants are available for preservation and/or conservation work on <u>nationally significant</u> intellectual and cultural artifacts and historic structures and sites. Intellectual and cultural artifacts include artifacts, collections, documents, sculpture, and works of art. Historic structures and sites include historic districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects.

Because the grant program focuses on properties of national significance, opportunities to submit under the program locally would be limited to properties or sites already listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Properties currently eligible would include the Smoky Hill Museum and Stiefel Theatre, among others. Grants are awarded through a competitive process to eligible applicants and a dollar-for-dollar match is required. The Stiefel Theatre received a Save America's Treasure grant to assist with the restoration of the theatre in 2003. To date, six other Kansas communities have received grants under the program.

The Preserve America Program is a White House initiative that encourages and supports community efforts to preserve and enjoy our cultural and natural heritage. The goals of the initiative include a greater shared knowledge about the Nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's cultural and natural heritage assets and support for the economic vitality of communities.

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Communities may apply for special designation as a *Preserve America* Community, which recognizes communities that:

- protect and celebrate their heritage;
- use their historic assets for economic development and community revitalization;
 and
- encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs

This program recognizes and designates communities that protect and celebrate their heritage and appreciate local resources with educational and/or heritage tourism programs. Since the program began, the White House has designated 261 communities in 43 States.

The benefits of Preserve America designation include: White House recognition; eligibility for Preserve America grants; a certificate of recognition; a Preserve America Community road sign; authorization to use the Preserve America logo on signs, flags, banners, and promotional materials; listing in a Web-based Preserve America Community directory; inclusion in national and regional press releases and enhanced community visibility and pride.

Congress approved \$5 million for *Preserve America* grants in the FY 2006. This matching grant program is designed to support a variety of activities related to heritage tourism and innovative approaches to the use of historic properties as educational and economic assets. The grants would go beyond the bricks and mortar grants available under the Save America's Treasures program. Eligible recipients for these matching (50/50) grants include communities with preservation programs and initiatives and Certified Local Governments. Individual grants have ranged from \$20,000 to \$150,000.

Preserve America Community designations are granted to communities that meet three general criteria:

1) Discovering Heritage through Historic Places:

Includes maintaining an ongoing, publicly available inventory of historic properties; a community-supported museum, interpretive facility, archive or local history records; and/or a heritage education component in local schools.

2) Protecting Historic Resources:

Includes a local governing body, such as a commission, charged with leading historic preservation activities within the community; and adopted community-wide historic preservation plan that is being implemented and a historic preservation review ordinance and professional staff to implement it.

3) Promoting Historic Assets:

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Includes a local heritage tourism program such as a walking/driving tour, itinerary or map of historic resources; regularly scheduled heritage event or historic preservation awards or recognition program.

Additionally the community must have supported at least one historic preservation project within the last three (3) years that promoted heritage tourism or otherwise fostered economic vitality. The project must demonstrate a public-private partnership between a governmental entity and one civic, non-profit or business enterprise. The restoration and reuse of the Roosevelt-Lincoln Middle School complex by Pioneer Presidents' Place for senior housing would comply with these requirements. The governing body of the community must also adopt a resolution indicating its commitment to the preservation of its heritage assets.

The State Historic Preservation Office has agreed to assist in sponsoring Preserve America community applications from the Kansas Certified Local Governments and has encouraged all Kansas CLG communities to participate.

Preserve America Community applications are reviewed by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP). Complete applications are shared with the National Park Service (NPS) and sometimes other agencies, for their independent review. When the review of an application is complete and approved by the ACHP and the NPS, the name of the community is added to a list pending the next announcement of designated communities. Announcement of designated "Preserve America" Communities will take place several times a year and may be made by official letter or at a public event.

From staff's perspective, Salina's historic preservation program would appear to meet a number of the general criteria required for designation as a Preserve America Community. Designation could provide for grant opportunities in the future that would potentially assist educational and tourism initiatives by agencies such as the Smoky Hill Museum, Stiefel Theatre, Salina Art Center and Salina Downtown, among others.

The 2006 City of Salina Shared Vision Statement and Strategic Plan, a copy of which is attached, includes the following statement:

Salina will be a town that is respectful of its heritage. Throughout Salina, the adaptive reuse of historic and architecturally significant buildings will be encouraged

The application would require the approval of the Salina City Commission and the approval of a resolution of support. The Preserve America Communities Program draft application prepared by staff is attached to this report. A draft resolution of support is also included. It is anticipated that additional attachments such as photographs of local historic resources and letters of endorsement from Salina Downtown, Smoky Hill Museum and Stiefel Theatre will be part of the final submission.

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Alternative Actions

Following the review of the attached application and comments and discussion, the Heritage Commission would appear to have the following alternative actions:

- Option No. 1 Recommend submittal of the Preserve America Communities Program application on behalf of Salina to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the approval of a resolution of support by the Salina City Commission.
- Option No. 2 Recommend submittal of an application with any modifications or additions requested by a majority of Heritage Commission members.

In this case, the application would be amended by Planning staff and returned to the Heritage Commission for review at the next regular or special meeting.

Option No. 3: Decline to recommend submittal of a Preserve America Communities Program application at this time and instruct staff to continue investigation into alternative financial and educational incentives.

CITY OF SALINA, KANSAS SHARED VISION STATEMENT AND STRATEGIC PLAN

WHAT IS STRATEGIC PLANNING?

Strategic planning is a process that allows community leaders and stakeholders an opportunity to determine what the future of their community will be. It is a tool which incorporates a long-term vision, goals and action items that is commonly used in America's best managed and most forward thinking communities. Salina's process started with a community visioning exercise conducted with citizen stakeholders, the City Commission and City staff members. These groups independently addressed 1) Salina's assets and other positive community aspects; 2) Salina's liabilities and other negative factors; and 3) A vision of Salina's future in a 7 to 10 year timeframe. This information was then provided to the City Commission for discussion and consideration. Based on this information, the City Commissioners agreed upon a shared vision of the future.

The Salina City Commission believes that using a Strategic Plan will provide long-term direction and direct benefit to both our municipal government and the community. It is their intent that Salina's Strategic Plan be a dynamic document that is in line with our shared vision and reviewed annually both to ensure performance, and to respond to ever-changing community and regional conditions.

ADMINISTRATION OF SALINA'S STRATEGIC PLAN

The Strategic Plan shall be utilized for all policy decision making, including but not limited to: community planning; capital improvement project planning and programming; annual budgeting; organizational service review; initiatives, changes and priority setting; all policy actions taken by the City Commission; and organizational departmental operations planning. Salina's Strategic Plan contents will be reviewed annually to ensure its applicability and determine if additions, deletions or other modifications are necessary. An Annual Strategic Plan progress report shall be compiled by staff and provided to the City Commission and public. The Strategic Plan shall be shared throughout the municipal organization and community.

As adopted by Resolution 06-6319 by the Board of Commissioners on the 23rd day of October, 2006.

SHARED VISION STATEMENT FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Salina will be a city that is exciting to live in and thriving both economically and socially. The City will be clean, attractive and inviting. Local residents will demonstrate their community pride by sharing Salina's attributes with others. As a result, Salina will be a place with a quality of life that not only appeals to residents, but also to visitors.

Salina will be a city that encourages quality, market-driven, mixed-use development that compliments community cohesiveness.

Salina will become a city with "connectivity". This means that bicycle and walking trails along roadways, the flood control levee and the Smoky Hill River will be used to connect residential neighborhoods, commercial areas, schools and parks. These connections will eventually intersect with public transit pick-up/drop-off points. In addition, connectivity will also include community-wide information sharing through the latest electronic wireless technology.

The City of Salina will be attractive and well maintained. It will be evident that good house-keeping and high community standards are valued. Salina will be environmentally conscious, balancing the expectations of a growing community with the necessity to preserve nature's assets and our future quality of life.

The City of Salina will have master planned its assets in the Kenwood/Oakdale Park area west to the downtown business district in order to utilize them to their fullest potential. This will include the development of a uniformly managed, core destination complex for both residents and visitors. This complex will be surrounded by high quality, mixed-use development with an evident connection to downtown that complements existing commercial and residential assets.

The City Commission of Salina will have committed to providing the highest quality City services possible within available resources. The City Commission recognizes their role and responsibility to provide the needed policy direction and resources to its administration. At the same time, the City's administrative personnel are committed daily to transforming this direction and related resources into the highest possible quality of municipal services, consistent with the expectations of both the City Commission and the citizens of Salina.

Downtown Salina will be a thriving and vibrant place. It will include an artistic flair that complements diverse and successful business development, including: entertainment, professional services, restaurants and retail development. In addition, the downtown will include residential uses consistent with the desired, mixed-use activity.

Salina will be supportive of life-long learning through all forms of education, including elementary and secondary education, higher education and vocational/technical training.

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Salina will be a town that is respectful of its heritage. Throughout Salina, the adaptive reuse of historic and architecturally significant buildings will be encouraged.

Salina will encourage and be supportive of industrial development, economic expansion, market-driven tax base growth, and home grown entrepreneurialism.

DRAFT APPLICATION PRESERVE AMERICA COMMUNITIES PROGRAM



COMMUNITIES PROGRAM: 2007 COMMUNITY APPLICATION

BACKGROUND

Preserve America is a White House initiative developed in cooperation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the U.S. Departments of the Interior, Commerce, Agriculture, and Housing and Urban Development. It highlights the efforts of the President and Mrs. Bush to preserve our national heritage. It has several components, one of which is the designation of Preserve America Communities.

Preserve America Community designation will be granted to eligible communities that meet three general criteria:

- The community has recently supported a historic or cultural preservation project that promotes
 heritage tourism or otherwise fosters economic vitality, and involves a public-private partnership
 between government entities and at least one civic association, nonprofit, and/or business enterprise.
- The governing body of the community has adopted a resolution indicating its commitment to the preservation of its heritage assets.
- The community meets at least five criteria specified in three broad categories: discovering heritage through historic places, protecting historic resources, and promoting historic assets.

ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES

Communities eligible to apply for designation as a *Preserve America* Community may be located in any U.S. state or territory, including the District of Columbia, and include:

- (1) Municipalities of any size with a mayor, city council or board chair, or equivalent chief elected governing official;
- (2) Counties with a county executive, board or commission chair, or equivalent chief elected governing official;
- (3) Federally-recognized Indian tribes or Alaska Native Village corporations with a tribal chairman, president, governor, board chair, or equivalent chief elected governing official; or
- (4) Clearly defined, populated, unincorporated communities that lack an elected governing official and that are located within a county, tribal reservation, or territory, provided the application for designation is submitted by the appropriate county, tribal, or territorial government.

All of the above may use this application form, which is available at www.preserveamerica.gov/communities-form.pdf.

[Note: Clearly defined neighborhoods within large cities or consolidated city-counties (cities with a population of 200,000 or higher) may also apply for designation as Preserve America Communities, but must use a different application form and meet slightly different requirements. For details, see www.preserveamerica.gov/neighborhoods-form.pdf.]

APPLICATION PROCESS

Copies of the application form, a list of deadlines, and links to information on some previously designated communities can be found at www.PreserveAmerica.gov/communities.html. Requests for information or forms can also be made by calling the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at (202) 606-8584, or by e-mailing irodenstein@achp.gov.

Applications are received and reviewed by ACHP staff for completeness. Complete applications are shared with the National Park Service (NPS), and sometimes other agencies, for their independent review. Communities with incomplete or unclear applications may be contacted by ACHP staff for additional information or clarification.

When an application is judged complete by the ACHP and the NPS, the name of the community is added to a list pending the next announcement of designated communities. Announcement of designated *Preserve America* Communities will take place several times a year and may be made by official letter or at a public event.

Attached to your application, please provide the name and title of the head of your local Convention & Visitors Bureau and of your State Tourism Office, as well as both mailing addresses. If your community is designated as a *Preserve America* Community, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation will formally notify them of your designation.

PRESERVE AMERICA COMMUNITIES PROGRAM: 2007 COMMUNITY APPLICATION

Guidelines

HELPFUL HINTS FOR PREPARING SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS

Communities should follow some simple guidelines in preparing their applications for *Preserve America* Community designation to ensure that their applications are complete and can be processed in a timely manner (item #s refer to sections of the application form):

- Item 1: Be sure to consult with your State Historic Preservation Officer while developing your application.
- Items 3 & 7: The application must be signed and submitted by the chief elected governing official of the jurisdiction. In most cases, this will mean a mayor, county executive, or tribal chairman. If someone else is designated to do this, there should be a clear authorization for this delegation included in the submission package.
- Item 4A: The project you select to feature needs to be one that has been supported by the community within the last three years. Make sure the project description includes information on the public and private partners involved and their roles, and clearly documents how the specific project has promoted heritage tourism or economic vitality in the community. Any data you can share on the economic or other impacts of the project is desirable. Please note that a history of the community or a list of projects supported over the years does not meet this criterion. However, such information is welcome as supplementary material.
- Item 4B: Resolutions of the local government should be recent and specific to the *Preserve America* initiative, or should be comprehensive and current enough (within the last five years) to show the community's present commitment to the preservation of its heritage assets and the goals of the program. Model resolution language is available at www.PreserveAmerica.gov/communities.html.

Item 4C: Communities should carefully read through the additional criteria for designation and ensure that they adequately document how they meet at least five of the criteria, including at least one from each of the three categories (discovering heritage through historic places, protecting historic resources, and promoting historic assets). If there is any question about how well the community meets one of the five selected criteria, then the community should provide information on more than five. Communities should feel free to contact ACHP staff if they have a question about how they fulfill and document specific criteria.

Item 4C(5): The "local governmental body, such as a board or commission, charged with leading historic preservation activities within the community" should be specifically authorized or established by the local government to carry out its duties. Non-profit or quasi-governmental organizations with ex-officio membership of a governmental representative do not meet this requirement unless they have a recognized role under governmental charter or ordinance.

Item 4D: Communities are asked to submit three to five color images that illustrate their community's character and show people using and enjoying local historic resources. Digital images on a CD with a minimum resolution of 300 dpi are preferred; 4" x 6" or larger photographs are acceptable. Paper copies are not acceptable. Please provide captions and credits for these images. The images may be used on the *Preserve America* Web site or for other publicity purposes, which will increase the visibility of the community.

Item 5: Additional materials are strongly encouraged, since applications will certainly be enhanced with a showing of community interest and involvement through letters of endorsement and illustrative materials. However, they are not required.

Items 6 & 7: Make sure to read the release authorization and sign and date the application.

PRESERVE AMERICA

COMMUNITIES PROGRAM: 2007 COMMUNITY APPLICATION

Application Form

1. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Communities must consult with their State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) during development of this application and send a copy of the completed application to the SHPO when it is submitted. (Not required for tribal submissions.)

☐ Check this box to signify that you have completed the above instructions.

SHPO names and addresses can be found at www.ncshpo.org or by calling (202) 624-5465.

Applications must be submitted in hard copy and will not be returned. Please provide two original copies of all materials and three to five related images as described on page 5. Submission well in advance of one of the quarterly deadlines (March 1, June 1, September 1, December 1) will facilitate timely review.

Submit applications to:

Preserve America Communities Advisory Council on Historic Preservation 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 803 Washington, DC 20004

Sources of additional information:

Office of Preservation Initiatives Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (202) 606-8584 Web site: www.PreserveAmerica.gov

2. COMMUNITY INFORMATION

All communities, incorporated or unincorporated, and federally recognized Indian tribes are eligible to seek designation as *Preserve America* Communities.

| Name of co | ommunity seekin | g designation | | |
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| ☐ City | ☐ County | ☐ Tribal Community | ☐ Other | |
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| Congressio | nal District | | Representative | - |
| Applicati | on for designa | | tted by one of the following: | |
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| uninc | corporated cor | nmunity; or | | |
| • Triba | l governing o | fficial. | | |
| Applicant's | Name: | | Title: | |
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4. DESIGNATION CRITERIA AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

A community will qualify for designation as a Preserve America Community if:

- A. The community has supported (within the last three years) a historic or cultural preservation project that promotes heritage tourism or otherwise fosters economic vitality. The project must have involved a public-private partnership between government entities and at least one civic association, non-profit organization, or business enterprise. (Please provide a written description of a specific project, documenting how it fulfills these requirements. Do not exceed 500 words.)
- **B.** The governing body of the community has recently adopted a resolution indicating its commitment to the preservation of its heritage assets. (*Please include a signed and dated copy of the resolution.*)
- C. The community meets at least five of the criteria outlined below (with at least one from each specified category). (Please check the criteria below under which you are seeking Preserve America Community designation. For each criterion, please provide a written description of no more than 250 words explaining how your community meets the criterion.)

| Category 1: Discovering Heritage Through Historic Places |
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| ☐ An ongoing, publicly available inventory of historic properties. |
| ☐ A community-supported museum, interpretive facility, archive, or local history records collection (private or public). |
| ☐ Active citizen volunteer involvement, such as a docent or guide program for interpretation of local history and culture, or volunteer participation in improving the condition of heritage assets within the community. |
| ☐ Opportunities for children to learn about local heritage in the schools, through either established curriculum or special outreach activities. |
| Category 2: Protecting Historic Resources |
| ☐ A local governmental body, such as a board or a commission, charged with leading historic preservation activities within the community. |
| An adopted community-wide historic preservation plan that is being implemented. |

☐ A local heritage tourism program or active participation in a regional program, with such

promotional material as a walking/driving trail or tour itinerary, map of historic resources, etc.

☐ A historic preservation review ordinance and volunteer or professional staff to implement it.

 \square A regularly scheduled heritage observance or event.

Category 3: Promoting Historic Assets

- \square A historic preservation awards or recognition program.
- **D.** Submit three to five images that show people using and enjoying your historic cultural and natural resources (CD with digital images with a resolution of 300 dpi or greater, 4" x 6" color photographs, or slides) and provide caption and credit information for each.
- E. Provide approximately 100-200 words on the history of your community, including founding date, key events, evolution of the economy, and current population. This information will be edited and incorporated into profiles of designated communities (for examples see www.preserveamerica.gov/PAcommunities.html).

5. ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING MATERIAL

Written endorsements by preservation organizations, civic organizations, members of Congress, and other elected officials are encouraged. (Please provide copies of any letters of endorsement.)

Documenting participation in other nationwide preservation programs is encouraged. (Please let us know if your community is a Certified Local Government, a Main Street Community, a recipient of funds under the Save America's Treasures program, a recipient of Transportation Enhancements funding for historic preservation, etc.)

Brochures, additional photos, reports, publications, etc. may be appended if desired.

6. RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

The undersigned gives the ACHP and the *Preserve America* Communities program absolute right to use, in whole and in part, all material submitted in furtherance of this application. All submitted materials become the property of *Preserve America*. Materials may be used in program activities, including publications and Web sites. *Preserve America* is given permission to make any editorial changes and/or additions to the subject material. The undersigned guarantees to have on file all necessary individual agreements and signatures to ensure *Preserve America* unencumbered use of all associated material.

7. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

The elected governing official of the community must sign and date this form. Signatures must be original and in ink.

| Signature: | Date: |
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| Name (please print): | |
| Title: | |

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Attachment to Application Form

4. DESIGNATION CRITERIA AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

A. The Pioneer Presidents' Place project, rehabilitated an historic junior high school complex into affordable senior housing in 2006.

The City of Salina approved a \$90 million school bond issue during 1998 to finance school consolidation and improvements. Following the completion of the school construction projects for Salina Public Schools in 2003, Unified School District #305 solicited expression of interests for five elementary schools and one middle school left vacant by the consolidation project. Among these was Roosevelt-Lincoln Middle School, a twin school complex that covered most of city block near Salina's Central Business District

A Steering Group was appointed by the School District to assist in the disposition process. City staff approached two regional development firms who specialize in redevelopment and reuse of historic properties. The Pioneer Group, Topeka, Kansas was chosen by the School District in December 2003 as the preferred developer for the Roosevelt-Lincoln complex. The Pioneer Group's proposal included retention of the two original school buildings, removal of contemporary and unneeded additions and the rehabilitation of the original school structures into affordable senior housing.

\$7.6 million was used in the Roosevelt-Lincoln rehabilitation. The Pioneer Group's permanent financing for the project included long term bonds, equity provided by Federal Housing Tax Credits and equity provided by use of the Federal and Kansas State Historic Tax Credits. In order to qualify for the Federal and State Tax Credits, the Roosevelt-Lincoln buildings were nominated to the National Register of Historic Places and Register of Historic Kansas Places. The project's rehabilitation plan was certified by the State Historic Preservation Office and National Park Service. The property was included in the City of Salina's Neighborhood Revitalization Tax Rebate Program which will provide for a property tax rebate over the next 10 years on additional property taxes caused by the building improvements.

The renovation returned the two school buildings and their site to their original historic appearance. The existing classrooms in the school buildings were converted into 60 units of senior housing. The hallways and apartments retain the high ceilings, stairs and meeting areas. An auditorium with decorative plaster detail was preserved intact. A landscaped common area and parking lots join the two buildings where the schools' original playground stood.

The project has preserved the concentration of residences near the Central Business District and has stimulated the economic vitality of the community. The

project has demonstrated the value of adaptive reuse for historic structures in the community and has stimulated other adaptive reuse projects in the city. The City of Salina worked closely with the developer on numerous public improvements and physical enhancements for the site, including the burying of all utility lines servicing the site to preserve its historic appearance. The dedication for the facility was held on May 12, 2006. The housing units are presently 100 % leased. The School Board was successful in marketing all five of the other surplus elementary schools and these have been redeveloped for new uses, such as offices.

- B. The Salina City Commission, the governing body of Salina, has adopted a resolution indicating its commitment to the preservation of its historic assets. A copy of the adopted resolution, signed by the Mayor of the City of Salina is attached.
- C. The City of Salina appears to fulfill the following criteria for designation:

Category 1: Discovering Heritage Through Historic Places

- O The City of Salina Planning and Community Development Department maintains the Register of Salina Historic Places which is a published inventory and database of all historically designated properties that are located within the Salina City Limits. The document currently includes 9 properties that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and Register of Historic Kansas Places. 22 locally designated historic landmarks and 4 locally designated residential historic districts are included. The Register is updated as additional resources are designated. The inventory is available to the public and is routinely distributed to realtors and local schools.
- O The Smoky Hill Museum is a regional history museum in the heart of the Salina Downtown District at 211 W. Iron Avenue. The Museum is a division of the Salina Arts and Humanities Commission, a department of the City of Salina. Recent and ongoing exhibits include a full-sized sod dugout, operating flour mill, and period domestic and agricultural implements. The Crossroads of the Heartland is currently exhibited. It tells the community's history in a dynamic and inviting way, interweaving it with experiences, tales, graphics, and artifacts.

The Museum features a Mercantile Store, with an early building facade including lap siding, wood trim and decorative painting. The Mercantile Store is a Learning Center featuring hands-on activities for role-playing, discovery, and exploration of the principles of buying, selling, and bartering. Utilizing an interactive kit, visitors learn how supplies were obtained, staples were stocked and sold, and what types of fabric, clothing, equipment, candy and other necessities were available to early settlers of the area. An archive of publicly available historic books, documents, photographs and maps are available for viewing in the

- Campbell Room of the Salina Public Library, which is two blocks north of the Museum.
- The Friends of the Smoky Hill Museum is an existing auxiliary organization of citizen volunteers that was created to support the activities of the Smoky Hill Museum. Their activities include fund raising, volunteer services, advocacy, public relations assistance, and community involvement. The Friends organization periodically host public tours of historic homes in the community for fundraising and outreach initiatives.

Category 2: Protecting Historic Resources

- The Salina City Commission adopted its Heritage Conservation Ordinance in 1979. The ordinance created a City advisory board, the Salina Heritage Commission. The duties of the Heritage Commission are to advise the City Commission and other groups regarding Salina's historic resources and to safeguard the architectural and cultural heritage of the City through preservation of its historic resources. This includes qualifying properties for designation as historic landmarks and historic districts, as well as reviewing proposed work on designated landmarks and properties located within historic districts. The sevenmember Board is appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Commission. Board members must have demonstrated knowledge or training in fields related to historic preservation, such as architecture, real estate, history and law.
- The City of Salina's preservation program was approved to participate in the Certified Local Government Program of the National Park Service in 1991. Salina was the fifth jurisdiction in Kansas to become a Certified Local Government. The City of Salina and State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) signed a Certified Local Government Agreement beginning in 1999 that authorizes the Salina Heritage Commission to perform the review responsibilities of the SHPO for local projects that may directly or indirectly affect properties listed on the National Register.
- The Heritage Conservation Ordinance adopted in 1979 required the development of a historic preservation plan. The first Preservation Plan was adopted by the City in 1982. Its overall goal was to "identify and preserve significant historic resources in Salina as a means of improving the economic, educational social and aesthetic environment for all citizens." A comprehensive preservation planning document was prepared and adopted by the City of Salina in 1995. The Preservation Plan outlines a mission statement, goals and action strategies that have been used to guide preservation activities in Salina since that time.
- Salina's Heritage Conservation Ordinance provides for a certificate of appropriateness review process for any construction, alteration, demolition or removal project that affects the exterior architectural appearance of a designated landmark or historic district property. The Ordinance outlines an application and review process and outlines Standards and specific design criteria utilized for

these reviews. The design criteria are based on the Secretary of Interior Standards for Rehabilitation. A professional staff person with experience in historic preservation, architecture and urban planning has been maintained on the staff of the City Planning Department since 1979. The staff person is responsible for administrating the activities of the Heritage Commission and the local preservation program.

Category 3: Promoting Historic Assets

- O A Salina's Architectural Heritage Tour Guide was produced for the Salina Heritage Commission and City of Salina. The foldout brochure features a walking tour of historic Downtown properties and a driving tour of significant architectural and historical resources. An annual supplement to the local newspaper, the Salina Journal, is published that features Salina's historic buildings, sites and architects.
- The Salina Heritage Commission has sponsored an annual historic preservation award program each year since 2001. The public awards ceremony recognizes notable historic preservation and adaptive reuse projects that have enhanced the City's historic and cultural resources. The presentation of Awards for Excellence plaques is scheduled in conjunction with National Preservation Week (now National Preservation Month) celebrated in May by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The award ceremony is broadcast on the Local Government Channel of the Community Access Television Station. A program for this year's Preservation Awards is enclosed.
- **D.** See attached photographs.
- **E.** See attached history of the community.

Attachment 4E: Community History of Salina

The City of Salina, Kansas (population 46,000) lies near the geographical center of Kansas. It is surrounded by the fertile grain lands that made the area one of the nation's most important wheat producers. In March of 1859, the Sixth Territorial Legislature of Kansas granted a charter to the Salina Town Company. Saline County was organized in the same year with Salina as the County Seat. It was then the most western border town to the Smoky Hill route to the gold fields in the far west.

The coming of the railroads in 1867 ensured Salina's future as a trading and industrial center and fueled its population's growth. Early immigrants brought hard red winter wheat that made the area a major wheat and flour supplier. Salina was at one time the fourth largest producer of flour in the nation. Salina is located today at the junction of two major highways, Highway I-70 and I-135, making it a distribution and trading center for a large portion of central and northwest Kansas.

The Salina's Downtown buildings chronicle its early growth. To the north of the Central Business District are historic Union Depot and Union Pacific Stations, grain elevators and mills, dating to the 1880's. The brick Victorian commercial blocks of the Downtown contain many vibrant businesses. During the 1930's, Art Deco and Spanish Colonial buildings joined their ranks. Salina is known for its numerous loft residences developed on 2nd floors of Downtown buildings. The largest Neo-Classical Masonic Temple in the region stands at the southern border of the Downtown District.

The Country Club Heights area in east Salina contains a remarkable variety of Romantic Revival style residences built in the 1930's. Salina's older neighborhoods also contain a variety of well-maintained homes dating to the 1880's. Nine Salina properties are listed on the National Register. Twenty two local landmarks and four historic districts are also designated. Historic attractions in Salina include the Smoky hill Museum, Salina Art Center and the Stiefel Theatre, a movie palace restored in 2003 that is used as a Community Performing Arts Center.

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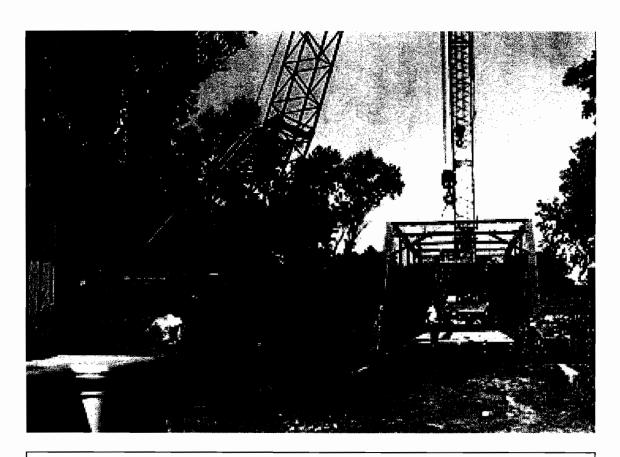


Pioneer Presidents' Place—Lincoln Building Renovated in 2006 to senior housing

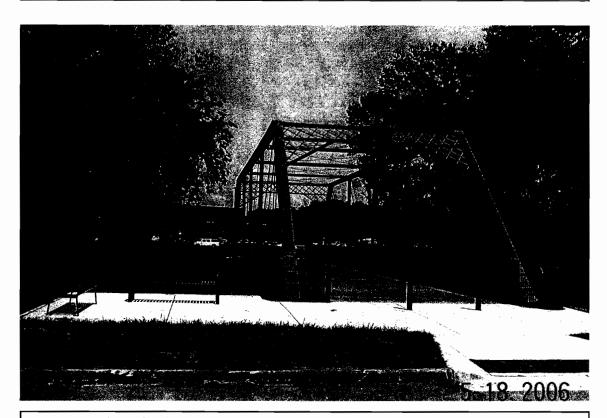
National Register 2005



Pioneer Presidents' Place Ribbon cutting ceremony May 12, 2006



Relocation of the Lakewood Park Bridge in 2005 from previous site at Lakewood City Park



Present location of Lakewood Bridge, used as a pedestrian bridge to Lakewood Middle School National Register 2005

Preserve America Application Attachment City of Salina, Kansas Recent Preservation and Enhancement Projects

Stiefel Theatre Restoration, 2003

Salina's Stiefel Theatre was originally opened in February 1931 as the Fox-Watson Theater, named after its founder W. W. Watson and the Fox Theater Company which purchased it just before its completion. The Fox-Watson, designed by the prominent Midwest architectural firm of Carl and Robert Boller, Kansas City, Missouri and was supervised by Salina architect Charles Shaver. The lavish Art Deco Style theatre was built as a movie palace at a cost of \$400,000. The exterior consists of brick with terra cotta ornament. Its interior features include gleaming chandeliers, mirrored ceilings, a glamorous staircase and decorative plaster with gold leaf throughout.

The theatre closed as a film house in 1987, and in 1989 its owner, Dickinson Theatres, gave the building to the City of Salina. The City repaired the roof of the structure and mothballed the structure until 1997 when it was donated to a non-profit group organized for its restoration. A \$3.1 million fundraising drive to restore the theatre to its 1931 appearance was successful. The City of Salina provided \$750,000 for the rehabilitation project. The theatre project also received grants from the Save America's Treasures program and the Mabee Foundation. The Stiefel Theatre, a National Register property, reopened in 2003 and now serves as a 1350-seat community performing arts facility.

Lakewood Park Bridge Relocation, 2005

The Lakewood Park Bridge was built on North Ohio Street over the Smoky Hill River in Salina, Kansas, in 1887. The pin-connected Pratt through truss bridge was the only entrance into North Salina and carried pedestrians, buggies, and horse-drawn wagons hauling grain to market. Outdated by the 1960s, the bridge was moved to serve as a vehicular bridge at the south entrance into the City's Lakewood Park, one half mile to the east. When the City of Salina needed to replace the park bridge, Olsson Engineering Associates, Lincoln Nebraska was selected to design a new bridge in this location and to rehabilitate and relocate the historic truss structure as a pedestrian bridge for Lakewood Middle School.

The bridge restoration and relocation project received Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) Enhancement funds. Rehabilitation of the bridge, a National Register structure, was coordinated with the Kansas State Historical Society, Salina Heritage Commission and City of Salina Engineering Department. It was completed in 2005.

The relocated, rehabilitated truss bridge provides safe access for school students to Lakewood Middle School, which opened its doors in 2002. The addition of the historic truss provides students with non-vehicular access to the school and also mitigates traffic congestion at the school entrance by providing a secondary route for parents to safely drop off and pick up their students.

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National Historic Preservation Month City of Salina Heritage Commission Awards for Excellence in Historic Preservation

May 23, 2007



Residential Rehabilitation Historic District Property

665 South Santa Fe Avenue Owner: George and Wilma Wheeler

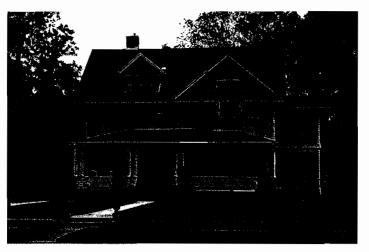
This two-story Colonial Revival style home was constructed in 1910 for Ira A. Pribble. Pribble established and managed the Salina Produce Company which operated out of the Watson Building at 100 N. Santa Fe for 20 years. The house that he built on South Santa Fe is distinguished by its large size, clapboard siding, full width front porch and ashlar limestone foundation. The side-gabled roof features dormers of various sizes with scalloped wood shingle ends. A full-width front porch has a closed rail and is supported by a classical array of Doric wood columns. A bay window extends above the porch. A rear wing has an enclosed second floor. A two-story sunroom, with mansard roof, extends to the south.

George and Wilma Wheeler purchased the property for their home in 2003. They have devoted many hours to restoring the original exterior features and interior woodwork of the home. The site and grounds have been extensively landscaped, with a rear deck and statuary garden.

The owners worked with the Heritage Commission in planning a rear breakfast room addition in 2005. When the house addition was constructed, it utilized the same narrow lap siding, stone foundation and roof form as the house. The addition remains compatible with the design and material and appearance of the house.



Ira A. Pribble House c. 1913







Rear Breakfast Room Addition

Residential Rehabilitation Historic District Property

680 South Santa Fe Avenue Owner: James Bernard Ryan

Arthur B. McConnell built this Victorian Stick style house in 1885. Its most notable resident was Fred H. Quincy who was a State Senator from 1904-1912. He lived at the home from 1898 until 1937. Quincy played a prominent role in the early growth of Salina. He organized the Planter's State Bank in 1900, where he served as president. He helped to organize the Salina Cement Plaster Company, which built a number of mills throughout the country. He also served on the committee that secured the site for the Marymount College.

The exterior of the house retains excellent structural integrity. Its characteristic features include patterned wood walls, conical turrets, verandas and spindlework porches with brackets and frieze. Windows used in the south turret retain their curved panes. Metal cresting accents the widows walk at the asymmetrical roof.

During World War II, the interior of the house was divided into three apartments for military personnel at the Smoky Hill Air Base. Members of the Ryan family have owned the house since 1948. James Ryan is its present owner. The interior of the house is being rehabilitated to single family use. The exterior features of the house have been restored during the past three years.

<u>Building Conservation</u> Non-historic Property

249 North Columbia Street
Owner: Cullen and Christine Marshall

This Craftsman Cottage style house was built in approximately 1905. A series of property owners have rehabilitated the home during the past five years.

Although the house is not historically designated, it has retained much of its original detailing, narrow clapboard siding and decorative trim. This award is presented to this property because it represents a number of properties in the Riverside area that have received excellent maintenance and care through the years.







<u>Historic School Renovation</u> Heritage Conservation Property

Project: Oakdale School, 811 East Iron Avenue

Owner: Salina Public Schools USD 305

Architect: John Shaver, The Shaver Partnership

The original Oakdale School was constructed in 1930 at a cost of \$100,000. It replaced an earlier Oakdale School on the same site. Prominent Salina Architect, Charles Shaver, designed the Tudor Revival style school in brick, limestone and concrete. The imposing 2-story structure was distinguished by a peaked gable roof, castellated parapets, varied brick patterns and limestone trim. The school entrances were articulated with limestone surrounds. Decorative brick patterns and stone insets adorned the exterior. A one-story addition with kitchen and luncheon area was built onto the east façade of the school in 1964.

Following the passage of the 1998 school bond issue, Oakdale School was one of several elementary schools that Salina Public Schools USD 305 identified for retention and expansion. A building permit was issued in June 2000 for the remodeling of 18,000 sq. ft. of the existing school space and the addition of 40,000 sq. ft. of new classroom space. The one-story and two-story addition was built on the north and east sides of the 1930 school building with the main entrance reoriented on the north toward Johnstown Avenue. The variegated brick exterior and cast stone insets of the addition preserve the historic Tudor style roof line. The design for the school addition enhances and preserves the unique character of the historic school while providing efficient new space.

The Shaver Partnership was selected as Project Architect for the school expansion. John Shaver, the principal architect is the son of the school's original architect, Charles Shaver. John Shaver has continued the architectural practice of his Father who designed numerous churches and community buildings across a five-state region. John Shaver also attended Oakdale School when he was a youngster. He has instructed pupils at Oakdale over many years.







North Main Entrance

Outstanding Achievement 50 Years of Preservation National Register Property

Prescott-Foley House, 211 West Prescott Owner: James and Martha Foley

James and Martha Foley purchased this house and large shaded lot in 1956. At the time, the home had been converted to a rooming house for officers at the Smoky Hill Air Base. Mr. and Mrs. Foley completed the monumental task of restoring the house's interior and exterior detail. Carved woodwork and brass and porcelain hardware were custom made for each room. They nominated the 14-room Second Empire style structure to the National Register of Historic Places in 1976 in honor of the Nation's Bicentennial.

The L-shaped house is distinguished by its carved wooden detail, tall narrow windows with pediments, first and second story verandas, turned balustrades and bracketed roof cornice. The Second Empire tower is three-storied and extends a mansard roof with dormer windows and a wrought iron railing.

The house was built in 1884 at a cost of \$10,000 by a Saline County Judge John H. Prescott. Prescott served as Saline County Attorney from 1866 to 1869 and was elected to the Kansas Senate in 1868. His judicial appointment came in 1872. He retired in 1885 and devoted himself to various business interests. When the question of running a street through the property arose, he donated the land and the City named Prescott Avenue for him.

The house is an excellent example of the late Victorian domestic architecture and expresses the opulence and exuberance of the boom days of Salina through the use of a various architectural features. The grounds are enclosed by a wrought iron and brick fence installed in 1998. Mr. and Mrs. Foley have lived and raised their family in the house since 1956. They have preserved one of Salina's most distinctive historic landmarks for over 50 years, an outstanding achievement.



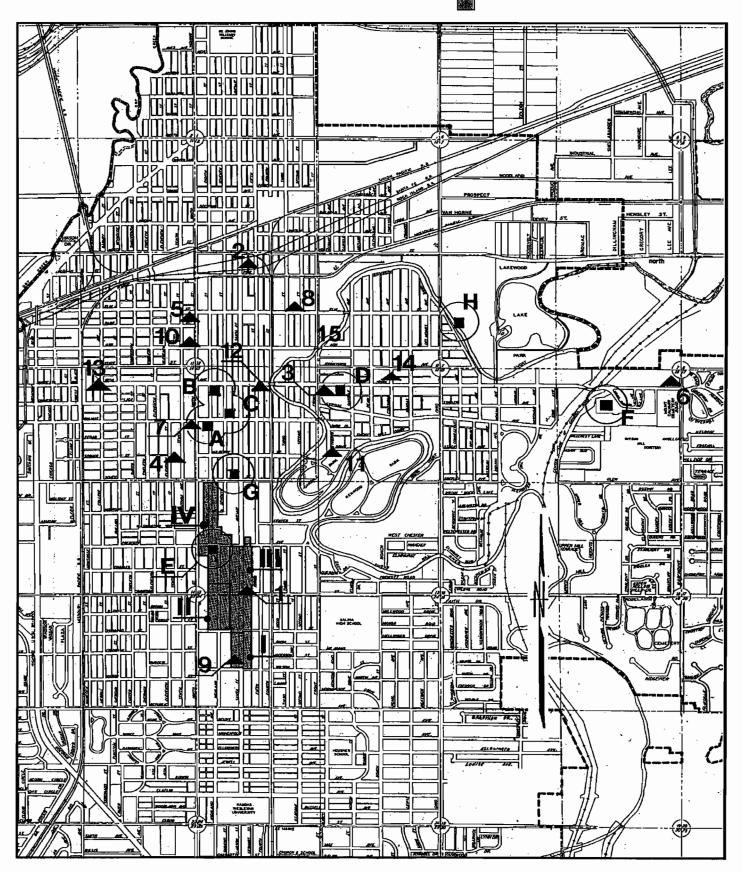




SALINA REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

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City of Salina Register of Historic Places

June 30, 2007

Properties within City Limits that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and Register of Historic Kansas Places

- A. Flanders-Lee House, 200 South Seventh Street, 1888-1891
- B. Smoky Hill Museum, 211 West Iron Avenue, 1938
- C. Former Fox-Watson Theater, 153-163 South Santa Fe Avenue, 1931
- D. A. J. Schwartz House, 636 East Iron Avenue, 1875
- E. Prescott-Foley House, 211 West Prescott Avenue, 1884
- F. Sheldon-Nelson House 100 Mount Barbara Road, 1915-1918
- G. Masonic Temple, 336 South Santa Fe Avenue, 1919-1927
- H. Lakewood Park Bridge, 1887
- I. Former Roosevelt-Lincoln Junior High Schools, 1915, 1920

Locally Designated Historic Landmarks

- 1. Sampson-Litowich House, 683 South Santa Fe Avenue, 1887
- 2. Missouri-Pacific Depot, 352 North Santa Fe Avenue, 1887
- 3. Charles L. Schwartz House, 630 East Iron Avenue, 1911
- 4. Ezra Dow House, 238 South Tenth Street, 1887
- 5. Saline County Courthouse, 245 North Ninth Street, 1910
- 6. Marymount Administration Building, 2035 East Iron Avenue, 1922
- 7. First Christian Church, 201 South Eighth Street, 1927
- 8. Dunbar Elementary School, 509 East Elm Street, 1922.
- 9. C. E. Robinson House, 850 South Santa Fe Avenue, 1911
- 10. Memorial Hall, 410 West Ash Street, 1922
- 11. Oakdale Park Gates, 600 Oakdale Drive, 1919
- 12. Graybill Filling Station (Historic Sign), 212 East Iron Avenue, 1931
- 13. Endiron House, 100 South College Avenue, 1907
- 14. Oakdale Elementary School (Historic Sign), 811 East Iron Avenue, 1930
- 15. Garlitz Carpenter Shop/Anderson Brothers' Broom Factory, 205 North Front Street, 1860;

Locally Designated Historic Districts

- 1. 800 Block of South Santa Fe Avenue Historic District 24 Properties; Designated March 18, 1991
- 11. 700 Block of Highland Avenue Historic District 48 Properties; Designated September 16, 1991
- III. 600 and 700 Blocks of South Santa Fe Avenue Historic District 55 Properties; Designated December, 19, 1991
- IV. Highland/Prescott & Eighth Street Historic District 79 Properties; Designated June 22, 1992.

Heritage Conservation District Designated February 21, 1997

The Conservation District consists of 285 non-contiguous individual structures or sites that are recognized by the City of Salina for their architectural, historical or cultural importance to the community. These properties are protected from demolition or relocation without a review by the Salina Heritage Commission. A full listing of the Conservation Properties may be obtained from the City Planning Department.



100 Mount Barbara Road

Draft Resolution Preserve America Community Designation

WHEREAS, *Preserve America* is a White House initiative developed in cooperation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the U.S. Department of the Interior, and the U.S. Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the goals of this initiative include a greater shared knowledge about our Nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's irreplaceable cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of communities; and

WHEREAS, this initiative is compatible with our community's interests and goals related to historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, designation as a *Preserve America* Community will improve our community's ability to protect and promote its historical resources; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the City of Salina, Kansas will apply for the designation of Salina as a *Preserve America* Community; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City of Salina and the Salina City Commission will protect and celebrate our heritage, use our historic assets for economic development and community revitalization, and encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs.

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Alan Jilka, Mayor



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First Lady Leads Capitol Hill Grants Event

Mrs. Laura Bush presented nearly \$2.6 million in Preserve America Grants July 12 at a ceremony at the Cannon House Office Building honoring 43 grantees. She, along with Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne, ACHP Chairman John L. Nau,



III, and Congressional Historic Preservation Caucus Co-Chairs Rep. Brad Miller and Rep. Michael Turner, also recognized recently designated Preserve America Communities. Numerous congressional representatives and community leaders were at the event to support local projects in historic preservation. Read more.

From left, Rep. Michael Turner, Mrs. Laura Bush, Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne, and ACHP Chairman John L. Nau, III

Mississippi Governor Honors Communities and Grantees

Representatives and officials from the 14 designated Preserve America Communities and first four Preserve America Grants in Mississippi met at the Southern Cultural Heritage Center Aug. 16 to celebrate their heritage tourism and historic



preservation accomplishments.

The event was headlined by Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour and coordinated and emceed by John L. Nau, III, chairman of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Also addressing the gathering were Mitch Butler, the Department of the Interior's Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, and Vicksburg Mayor Laurence Leyens. Read more.

From left, Mitch Butler; Paige Hunt, executive director of the Greenwood Convention and Visitors Bureau; and Gov. Haley Barbour

Preserve America Communities: Register Now for October 2 Workshop

Space is still available in a workshop exclusively for Preserve America Communities at the National Trust for Historic Preservation conference this fall in St. Paul, Minnesota. Advisory Council on Historic Preservation staff will update you on new developments in the Preserve America initiative, offer networking opportunities with other communities to share successes and



best practices, and offer guidance on getting the most out of your Preserve America Community designation.

To register, contact Judy Rodenstein at jrodenstein@achp.gov or 202-606-8584. The session will be Oct. 2 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 11 E. Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul, Minnesota. The workshop is free for designated Communities. General registration to the National Trust's conference is not required to attend this information session.

Landmark Center in St. Paul

Event Planner Now Available

Now available on the Preserve America Web site, the Event Planner is an invaluable tool for planning and implementing Preserve America events. The Event Planner offers online guidance in the form of checklists, sample press releases, speeches, talking points,



fact sheets, logos for printing event materials, contacts, and more for making Preserve America event planning easy.

Local community leaders, state, tribal, or federal government officials can all organize Preserve America events to honor designations of communities, grant recipients, or to support historic preservation initiatives in the spirit of Preserve America. View Event Planner.

From left, Jody Graichen and Katharine Moore of the German Village Society, along with Lynn Scarlett, Deputy Secretary of Interior, at a Preserve America designation event in Columbus, Ohio

Community Spotlight: Richmond

Richmond, California, a Preserve America Community of 103,000 people, came into being as a result of two major industrial events at the end of the 19th century. In 1899, the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe railroad established its western terminus in Point Richmond, and in 1900, the first passenger train arrived in Richmond from Chicago.

For the heritage traveler, one of Richmond's most notable destinations is the Rosie the Riveter--World War II Home Front National Historic Park, the first park established to commemorate the U.S. home front. Fifty-six war industries operated in Richmond, more than in any other city of comparable size. The park commemorates and interprets the important contributions that 6 million women made to the war effort.

The city of Richmond's PRISM project (Preserve Richmond to Interpret and Support Memories) recently was awarded a \$75,000 Preserve America grant to sponsor reconnaissance survey work that will identify historic resources to be incorporated into the Rosie the Riveter--World War II Home Front National Historical Park. Learn more.

WWII industrial recruitment poster

Communities Total 521

As of July 31, the number of designated Preserve America Communities is 521. All states and the U.S. Virgin Islands are now represented with Preserve America Communities. Mrs. Laura Bush sent a letter of congratulations to the 20 newest communities which now include several large cities.



The 20 new communities are the following: St. George Island, Alaska; Little Italy, San Diego, California; Savannah, Georgia; Letcher County, Kentucky; Mt. Vernon, Kentucky; New Orleans, Louisiana; Ferndale, Michigan; Carver, Minnesota; Baldwyn, Mississippi; Las Vegas, Nevada; Dutchess County, New York; Ossining, New York; New Bern, North Carolina; Shelby, North Carolina; Canal Winchester, Ohio; Ponca City, Oklahoma; Horry County, South Carolina; Blount County, Tennessee; Columbia, Tennessee; and Bradford, Vermont. View complete list of Communities.

Columbia Square in downtown Savannah (photo courtesy city of Savannah)

Denver Receives Grant for Trail Project

Denver was designated a Preserve America Community in February and in August was awarded a \$64,300



Preserve America Grant

for its Denver Heritage Trail project. The city and county of Denver will design a heritage tourism system to highlight and attract local residents and

tourists to Denver's historic neighborhoods, while promoting a city and county-wide preservation ethic.

"Denver is a proven national leader in preservation," said Ann Pritzlaff, an expert member of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and conference coordinator for Colorado Preservation, Inc., who presented the certificate on behalf of Mrs. Bush. "A vibrant downtown, diverse neighborhoods, and active non-profit partners join the city in working to share Denver's heritage with a broad audience." View complete list of Grants.

Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper and ACHP Expert Member Ann Pritzlaff at the Preserve America Grant event

Important Dates

Next Preserve America Community application deadlines Sept. 1 and Dec. 1, 2007

The Twin Cities National Preservation Conference Oct. 2-6, 2007, St. Paul, Minnesota

2008 Preserve America Presidential Awards nomination forms are to be postmarked by Nov. 1, 2007

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